GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

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FULLY EQUIPPED TELEPHONE EXCHANGES
SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the Gram Panchayats of Maharashtra have been connected with fully equipped telephone exchanges;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the time by which said facility is likely to be provided?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) to (c): In Maharashtra, 22,732 Gram Panchayats out of 24,752 have been provided with telecom facilities. Remaining 2020 Gram Panchayats are to be connected with telecom facility by Private Basic Service Operator by 2002.